Is the processing/labeling of organic pet food the same as human food, and is it under the jurisdiction of the USDA?

Yes—pet food is considered a product purchased by humans for their pets, and is under the jurisdiction of the NOP for organic. At the present time, the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB) is working on a recommendation for pet food labeling for the NOP. Until then, pet food must meet the handling standards under the NOP regulations.

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